

REMARKS

Claims 1, 23, 31, 51, 72, 80 and 88 and the Abstract of the Disclosure have been amended to more clearly recite that "the groups represented by R are the same or different from each other in one molecule, and the groups represented by OA² are the same or different from each other in one molecule". Support as to OA² is found at page 8, lines 12-14 of the specification (the oxyalkylene may be the same or different from each other...). As to R, the intent of the claims is clear to one of ordinary skill. Namely, each of R and OA² appears in two different positions in the chemical structures of claims 1, 23, 31, 51, 72, 80 and 88. R and OA² can never be the same as each other (which is one possible interpretation of the original claim language), because R represents a hydrocarbon group and OA² represents an oxyalkylene group. Thus, one of ordinary skill would understand the claims to mean that the groups represented by R in one molecule are the same or different from each other, and the groups represented by OA² in one molecule are the same or different from each other.

No new matter has been added. The amendments clarify but do not narrow the scope of the claims.

Entry of the amendments is respectfully requested.

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